



- 1. After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of a canvas for pressing a paper strip against the surface of drum-dryers used for drying the paper strip in a paper machine, whereby a silicone oil is continuously supplied at a spray rate of 0.1 to 200 mg/m² per min to the surface of the canvas, facing the paper strip, in a stage of operation prior to the paper strip being pressed into contact with the canvas as well as the drum-dryers, while the paper strip is being fed by operation of the paper machine.
- After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of a canvas for pressing a paper strip against the surface of drum-dryers used for drying the paper strip in a paper machine, whereby a silicone oil is continuously supplied at a spray rate of 0.1 to 200 mg/m² per min to the surface of canvas rolls for guiding the canvas, in a stage of operation prior to the paper strip being pressed into contact with the canvas as well as the drum-dryers, while the paper strip is being fed by operation of the paper machine.
- 3. (After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of the canvas according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein a silicon oil emulsified with a surfactant is used.
- 4. (After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of the canvas according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the silicon oil is further diluted with water before being put to use.
- 5. (After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of the canvas according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the silicon oil diluted with water heated to a temperature in the range of 50 to 80°C immediately before spraying is put to use.

6. (After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of a canvas





for pressing a paper strip against the surface of drum-dryers used for drying the paper strip in a paper machine, said method comprising the following steps 1) to **4**):

- 1) the silicone oil supply step for supplying a silicone oil to the surface of the canvas;
- 2) the silicone oil permeation and adhesion step for causing the silicone oil to permeate through the capyas and adhere to the surface thereof under heat and pressure;
- 3) the silicone oil Hansfer step for pressing a paper strip against the canvas, causing the silicone oil to be transferred to the paper strip; and
- 4) the silicone oil replenishment step for replenishing the silicone oil depleted after transferred from the canvas.
- 7 (After amendment) A method of preventing contamination of a canvas for pressing a paper strip against the surface of drum-dryers used for drying the paper strip in a paper machine, said method comprising the following steps 1) to 5):
- 1) the silicone oil supply step for supplying a silicone oil to the surface of an out-roll;
- 2) the bilicone oil shifting step for shifting the silicone oil from the surface of the out-roll to the canvas;
- 3) the silicone oil permeation and adhesion step for causing the silicone oil to permeate through the canvas and adhere to the surface thereof under heat and pressure;
- 4) the silicone oil transfer step for pressing a paper strip against the canvas, causing the silicone oil to be transferred to the paper strip; and
- 5) the silicone oil replenishment step for replenishing the silicone oil depleted after transferred from the canvas.



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